rule 30 above, the President of the previous session, or the chairman of that delegation from which the President of the previous session was elected, shall preside until the Assembly has elected a President";

(*c*) Paragraph (*a*) of the present rule 99 shall be replaced by the following text:

"All the Main Committees shall, at least three months before the opening of the session, elect a Chairman. Elections of the other officers provided for in rule 103 shall be held at the latest by the end of the first week of the session";

3. *Decides further* that, for the fifty-seventh session of the General Assembly only, the President, the Vice-Presidents and the Chairmen of the Main Committees shall be elected as early as possible;

4. *Decides* that these amendments will enter into force on 8 July 2002.

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